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MAYOR BOB FILNER CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Mayor Filner Acts to Protect North Park Community

(San Diego) -- Responding to North Park community leaders, Mayor Bob Filner has taken action to preserve the neighborhood character of North Park against potentially illegal new development. The project in question is a Jack in the Box Restaurant at the corner of Upas and 30th Streets, which is undergoing a “remodel,” but the developer has violated the conditions of their permit by destroying almost all of the existing restaurant.

“It is outrageous to me that Jack in the Box has completely misled the North Park community about this project, promising in writing, for example, that no exterior walls would be destroyed when, in fact, nearly all the of the exterior walls were destroyed,” said Mayor Filner. “My administration has laid out the facts in a memo to the City Attorney, and requested that he approve the issuance of a Stop Work Order, which will halt any further construction at the site. Further, because the developer has violated the conditions of their permit, I have asked the City Attorney to rule on whether the developer has forfeited his previous right to continue operating a drive-through window at this location. If Jack in the Box wishes to build what is essentially an entirely new restaurant in North Park, they will have to comply with all zoning laws.”

Attached is a copy of the memorandum to the City Attorney.

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